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TAGS: MASS, MCAP, SA

SUBJECT: REDEYE AND BLOWPIPE SHOULDER FIRED MISSILES

REF: A. JIDDA 1606

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1. AS RECOMMENDED REF A, WE CALLED IN WILBERFORCE,
POLITICAL COUNSELOR, BRITISH EMBASSY, ON MAY 3, 1974,
TO URGE THAT UK WITHDRAW REPORTED OFFER TO SELL BLOWPIPE
MISSILE TO SAUDIS. WE POINTED TO OUR OWN RESTRICTIVE
POLICY IN MAKING OUR COMPARABLE WEAPON (REDEYE) AVAILABLE
TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS, AND OUR PARTICULAR EFFORTS TO ENSURE
REDEYE NOT INTRODUCED INTO VOLATILE ARAB-ISRAELI SITUATION.
WE REMINDED WILBERFORCE OF MUTUAL US-UK CONCERN OVER SA-7
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THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION AND THE SIMILAR

US AND UK DEMARCHES TO THE SOVIETS OVER THEIR FAILURE TO
KEEP THE SA-7 OUT OF TERRORIST HANDS. WE ALSO DREW UPON
PARA 2 REF A IN POINTING TO POTENTIAL SHORTCOMINGS IN
SAUDI MUNITIONS CONTROL; HOWEVER IN URGING BRITISH RE-
STRAINT IN THIS MATTER WE STRESSED THAT OUR OVERRIDING
CONCERN WAS TO PRECLUDE SEEPAGE OF THIS TYPE OF WEAPON INTO
THE HANDS OF TERRORISTS.

2. REDEYE ADDRESSED REF B. RUSH

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